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Many volunteers turned out to the thank you lunch provided by the Gidgegannup Agricultural Society in November 2023.

Thanks to the people behind the scenes!

Happy New Year folks, life in Gidgegannup is always exciting, especially the summer days just after Christmas, there is either a fire, a heat wave or a storm. I feel lucky to be writing this as we lost power for two days last month when it was, forty over degrees. I don't want to go through that very often, thank goodness, power has been restored now, although I believe some parts of Gidge had to wait longer.

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GIDGEGANNUP AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY INC.

2024 Annual General Meeting

VENUE: Gidgegannup Agricultural Hall DATE: Sunday 18 February 2024 at 5.30pm

- AGENDA:
- Acceptance of 2023 AGM Minutes.
 - Presentation/Acceptance Treasurer's
 - Financial Statement
 - Presentation/Acceptance Auditor's Report

- Correspondence
- President's Report
- Members Questions/Statements
- Election of 2024 Committee

Members only voting, however anyone interested in becoming a member is welcome to attend

AGM

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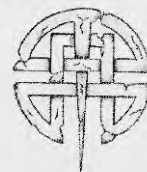
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Gidge Gossips

By Sally Block

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It has been a rather hot few weeks, not helped by the lack of run off into dams so less water around. We have cut our watering down to twice a week as this is what we normally use the dams for. We do have a very good bore but that it principally for providing water for livestock and better a dead lawn than dead livestock. We also have good rainwater supplies but in past years we have gone 8 months without rain so are being extremely cautious.

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The rather violent thunderstorm that passed through last week and left us without power for six days was not great either. Fortunately only one lightning strike on the property but this didn't cause any problems and directly the storm had moved a tad from directly above us we went and checked it out. A very useful app called My Lightning Tracker showed where the strikes were hitting and there were a great many of them on the 16th January.

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Fortunately we learnt our lesson from the 2021 Wooroloo Bush fire, when we lost power for 3 weeks, so have a generator that can run the whole house with no problem as long as you don't push it further than 32 amps. It also takes over immediately when power fails. We also have a separate small generator on our water pump. The only problem was telecommunications. Both the town tower and the Reen Road tower failed after a short time, leaving us with quite a road trip to pick up messages and make calls. Not good for anyone. We have been pressing for better back ups to the phone towers, particularly in Rural and Regional areas. Maybe in town it is inconvenient to lose coverage but not a great distance where you can get connectivity, here not such a good scenario. Also rural properties rely on a lot of pumps to fill tanks, troughs, crush lupins, run chaff cutters. We need power for a lot more reasons than to watch Netflix. Our businesses also had to revert to cash payments (welcome to the cashless society – perhaps we had better think that one through). Other problem was that being on Westnet, iiNet are now moving us on to a messaging service – this wasn't working too well. So no emails, although we did have internet. The reason we have kept our Satellite internet and email is precisely so we can still be in touch when there are power outages. Not happy with iiNet over this so maybe need to think about a move on that.

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Probably more tree trimming is needed to ensure power supply. This aligned with fuel mitigation are two situations we need to look at as a community in our hot summers. Reliance on power to supply water for stock, people, and bushfire – all interesting debates we need to have with Government.

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The animals coped with it well although I did have two rather large dogs sitting on me when the storm was right overhead. The horses were brilliant they all headed for their shelters and I don't think the cattle and sheep even noticed it.

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Our water tank for the livestock was looking pretty low after 6 days (it would have needed a big generator to pull the water up for that. Which led me to start to calculate how much water stock drinks in our hot summer. Department of Agriculture site is good for that. Never done this calculation before and it is worth doing with power costing what it does now.

So there Gidge was another start to the year with picking up the pieces!!

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The ever present elephant in the room for us all is Bush Fire and there are still some properties that haven't even put fire breaks in, let alone carried out any form of fuel mitigation. You would have thought they had learnt by now. This brings up the interesting question of whether your insurance company would pay out if you have not taken measures to protect your property and your neighbours.

As of today the City of Swan has a public SMS and email subscription for Total Fire Ban and Harvest Vehicle Movement Ban notifications.

Sign up at <https://www.swan.wa.gov.au/services-and-community/emergency-management/burning-restrictions-and-permits-to-burn>

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Woodside are not now going to go ahead with the pilot plant at Red Hill. There Environmental report was due in early in 2024, so probably didn't make it. Or maybe Mergers and Acquisitions are more interesting!

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We are now waiting to see what happens with the Satterley ongoing saga – What happens on 2nd February will it, won't it be approved?

Current topic today's joke:

The wife and I took a long, leisurely drive out to the country and pulled over to fill up our car's gas tank and tires... She was surprised to see that the station had a fee to fill the tires and asked me, "Why in the world do they charge for AIR?!" I responded, "Inflation."



GIDGEGANNUP PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.

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Next Meetings: 19th February, 18th March, 15th April 2024 at 7.30pm at the Agricultural Hall.

The first item on the Agenda for the Meeting of 19th February, 2024 will be an open Forum to discuss GIDGESTOCK. This has become an annual event in Gidgegannup and is much looked forward to by many community members and more widely in the surrounding area and beyond. It also raises much needed funds for charitable bodies, including our Volunteer Fire Brigades.

This event has always been approved by the CEO of the City of Swan under delegated authority. The event has grown over the years, attracting more visitors and extending its performances to the Friday prior to the weekend.

This situation is causing some adverse comment from affected residents and the Organisers have expressed their willingness to listen to those concerns and see if by changing some of the timings and taking on board community input we can have an event that everyone can enjoy.

If you have an opinion and would like to make some input, please come along and we can try to sort this matter out as a community.

TILDEN PARK BRIDGE;

Work has commenced on the Reen Road Bridge and is ongoing. The GPA has raised a query with the City re. what the situation is regarding the Tilden Park Bridge now that the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2021 has been repealed, and have received the following response: "We are currently looking into options to go back to a meeting with Aboriginal Cultural Heritage council."

Employment

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Public consultation was done based on an assumption of we might need the DPLH approval to rebuild the bridge but now they have confirmed we need the DPLH approval."

GIDGESTOCK:

It has been suggested that there should be an open forum regarding this at the GPA meeting to be held on Monday, 19th February 2024. The Organisers have posted a list of organisations that have benefitted from this event. Substantial amounts of money have been distributed to various charities. Many people enjoy this event and look forward to it.

A letter of complaint has been received from a neighbour: they express concern at inadequate traffic management, traffic speeding, reckless driving, possible driving under the influence, no police presence. Claims that cars have been run off the road, lack of access to properties due to parked vehicles on entrance ways, people urinating at the side of the road.

Queries as to whether there is any limitation on attendees, whether toilets are provided in sufficient number? Noise levels and failure to monitor, whether there should be a curfew, whether Councillors or City staff have attended (they have). Concern as to the ever growing size of the event, what charities benefit.

Suggestion as to holding this event at the Showgrounds.

Obviously this event needs to be discussed.

We have also received a complaint along the same lines from a resident in Reen Road.

NORTH STONEVILLE UPDATE:

The Western Australian Planning Commission's (WAPC) has decided to refuse the North Stoneville structure plan proposal.

At its meeting on Thursday, December 7 the WAPC resolved to refuse the structure plan, based on the plan's inability to adequately demonstrate the threat of bushfire risk, including safe evacuation, as well as the true impact of traffic on the road network.

Shire of Mundaring President Paige McNeil and deputy Trish Cook provided a deputation to the WAPC on behalf of council at its public hearing on Thursday, November 23 along with 22 verbal and nine written deputations.

Ms McNeil said that the December 7 decision was the latest in a series of refusals for the planning application.

"The recent refusal by the WA Planning Commission endorses council's and our community's long held concerns about an urban development at North Stoneville," she said.

"The decision is a testament to years of persistence by council and our community who understand the increasing bushfire risk that we face in this region. The decision tells us that planning in bushfire prone areas must aim to safeguard not endanger our community."

WAPC noted that the traffic, evacuation and bushfire analysis and modelling could not adequately demonstrate community safety and the protection of environmental conservation values cannot be appropriately balanced with the outcomes of bushfire risk management.

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GPA Report Continued

The matter will now return to the State Administrative Tribunal (SAT) on February 2. The applicant can then decide whether to withdraw or proceed to a final hearing with SAT as the decision maker.

AGRICULTURAL HALL RENOVATIONS;

We have been advised that the City's Officer Julie-Anne will convene a meeting of all the Showground User Groups. This meeting will be held sometime in February at the Showgrounds.

FOGO BINS

Cr. Rod Henderson will be raising a motion regarding this at the February Council meeting.

EMRC

A resident has complained of increased fly numbers and is concerned these are coming from the EMRC facility. It may be just the time of year. She is taking this up with the Health Department.

EMRC have responded to a query regarding the flies:

Thank you for the email - confirming since September 2023 we have employed an independent Consultant to monitor the flies on the site and to implement a treatment program when required. We have also changed some of the site operations/processes to reduce the fly numbers on site. Our last Fly Survey was conducted approximately 2 weeks and at this time the fly numbers were still reasonably low and there have been no significant numbers of flies recorded on site this summer. Our last fly complaint was received in November 2023 and previous to this August 2023. Overall this Summer it appears (from recent News articles) that Perth has experienced increased fly numbers all around the State. Personally I believe that the fly numbers at my home are no different to the fly numbers currently on site.

BUSH FIRE NECESSITY FOR AIRCRAFT AND VOLUNTEERS ON GROUND;

Some comments re the Berry x Toodyay fire of 18th Nov 2023. It was volunteers on the ground who stopped the head fire

from spreading from the paddocks into Ffarringtons 4,500 ha of bushland well before firefighting aircraft arrived. Volunteers had also stopped or slowed much of the flank fire in the timbered creekline well back from where the headfire reached. This was verified by a full perimeter recce completed approx. 15 mins before aircraft arrived and started dropping. This is not to denigrate the usefulness of firefighting aircraft, but to give credit where credit is due.

The aircraft were very useful in reducing the amount of subsequent work required by ground crews for mopping up in the timbered creekline areas. Even with that volunteers were patrolling and mopping up as required for the next 4 days before the incident was declared safe and closed off. Estimates of approx. 200 to 250 person hours of volunteer work on this one – and it was only 8 Ha!. Fortunately there was abundant water on site for refilling fire units via ground pump from a dam so emergency water tanks at Berry x Toodyay, and further west along Berry rd were not needed – THIS TIME.

One issue which frequently occurs, and did on this occasion, is that the aircraft will not do drops until the drop zones are confirmed as cleared of people on the ground, which can take time. This is for safety reasons as the result of “copping a drop” can be fatal, even with the smaller firefighting aircraft which can cause branches to come down in timbered areas. The situation is even more risky with the Large Air Tankers which can significantly damage vehicles and damage or completely demolish houses, again with potentially fatal results! Not being able to properly see the ground due to thick smoke greatly exacerbates these risks, and with more intense and fast moving headfires the turbulence and lack of visibility can make it far too dangerous for these aircraft to attack the headfire anyway, they might be restricted to the slower moving and less intense flanks.

RURAL AWARENESS ONLINE BUSHFIRE TRAINING;

Rural Fire Awareness Training from the Bush Fire Centre of Excellence is now available online. Aimed at famer responders with private fire units and seasonal workers, it is also very relevant to anyone else who lives or works in a bush fire prone area and might have to deal with bush fire – remember you can't always escape or

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<https://publications.dfes.wa.gov.au/publications/course-information-online-rural-fire-awareness>

NO STOPPING SIGNS ON VERGE OUTSIDE BAKERY CAR PARK;

The City has received complaints from the Gidgegannup Progress Association in relation to Gidgegannup Bakery customers parking on the verge which restricting sightlines for vehicles existing the Bakery car park onto Toodyay Road.

The City has decided to install No Stopping signs on the verge outside Gidgegannup Bakery to prevent verge parking. This work is currently in progress with our contractor to arrange the signage installation. We will inform you the updates of the work once we receive further information from the contractor.

FIRE HAZARD AND ENVIRONMENTAL WORKS - QUENDA GLADE, GIDGEGANNUP.

The City has secured funding through the State Mitigation (Bushfire) Activity Fund to undertake works on the City verges along Quenda Glade. The aim is to better address the fire risk, reduce weed and sapling seeding and support the mature trees in the area. These works will also compliment the fire hazard reduction works carried out in November 2022 and currently being undertaken on the Quenda Reserve/Tilden Bridle Trail.

The scope of works includes, removing woody weeds, and removing all trees with a trunk of 30cms or less (removing smaller trees excludes competition with existing mature and habitat trees). Marri trees are noted to be in large populations

and often in poor health (canker), however healthy jarrahs, being less common are to be retained wherever possible. This work will significantly reduce the unwanted verge vegetation. Please see the attached plan for more detailed information.

The Salmon Gums, whilst not endemic, are smoothed barked (lower fire risk) and mature with good diameter. They also provide a unique visual amenity and identity to this area of Quenda Glade so those of a trunk size about 20cm will be retained.

Mulch from the works will be spread on the verges to assist with weed control where appropriate, and any excess mulch will be placed at the Tilden Park Fire dam for residents to access for their own use.

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We now have a public SMS & email subscription for Total Fire Bans and Harvest Vehicle Movement Ban notifications from City of Swan.

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EXTENDED POWER OUTAGES AND MOBILE PHONE TOWER OUTAGES FOLLOWING STORM ON 16TH JANUARY 2024

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Experience Gidgegannup News

For those of you new to the area we thought that we should formally introduce the idea and the team behind the annual Gidgegannup Small Farm Field Day. Held on the last Sunday in May.

Way back over 16 years ago a few community minded people got together to initiate Experience Gidgegannup. The main idea was to promote the area not just to outsiders, but to locals who had not had the chance to get involved yet. We wanted to introduce people to all that the area had to offer, with the idea of being able to diversify what we did on our land and meet like minded people.

First thoughts were to have buses, (we stole the idea from Balingup Field Day) taking tours out to various farms to meet the people and get a hands on experience. We visited, sheep, goats, cattle, olives and orchards with jujube trees. Running the buses throughout the day from the Showgrounds we thought we'd better have somethings of interest at the Showgrounds for people to look at in between but trips. So we set up a few related stalls. It was all very small scale but so exciting. The bus trips were a big success, but we needed more at the show grounds. Word spread and the stalls at the show ground expanded. We actually over did it. The bus trips got less people because there were so many interesting talks to listen to. With that plus the rising cost of hiring buses we made the decision to drop the bus trips and have all the information at the Showgrounds. After one of the key people leaving the area and taking all our notes, we panicked and called an event management group to help run the day. This was not successful as they just didn't understand our community's needs, but we learnt a valuable lesson from this, that you need to be a passionate local to hold this event. To know your community. We took the reins back. The Countryman newspaper approached us and asked if they



Sally Block



Genevieve Payne



Nicola Smith

could sponsor our event as there was not another "small" field day. They needed something for properties that Dowerin was too big for. So we took the next leap forward. Having an official sponsor meant we had to get more professional. We decide to write down our aims for the event.

We wanted to be different from The Agricultural Show, but also to compliment it, giving our community the best of both. Our event was to be educational, farm based. Any children's entertainment had to teach or involve the land and environment. No side shows, no show style rides, no imported trinket stalls. Along the way various people joined us for a short while, helping in different areas. But we whittled away eventually to the main small team that was together for many years.

Sally Block, who still handles all the bookings, from the actual show grounds, marquees, tables, chairs, toilets, sound equipment, guest speakers, parking, advertising and more. Jennifer Kent, who at a social gathering offered to "give us a hand" and became the lynchpin for many years taking all the ground space bookings from prospective stall holders, including food and coffee vans and making a plan of where to site them so that they were accessible but not competing. She also took on the title of Chairperson. Nicola Smith assisting Jen with the ground space plus

organising and being involved in kids entertainment. Nicola has taken a leave of absence as she is currently working in Broome. Genevieve Payne general assistant and much needed muscles on set up and pack away. Myself, Penny Morgan, my role has changed over the years as the event has changed. I am the go between, gopher, muscles, communicator, assistant. This year I have been elevated to Chairperson as our dear Jennifer and her husband Ian have left the area. Filling in the gaping hole left by Jennifer, is my daughter Felicity Morgan. Gidgegannup born and bred, always involved with the community, she has now formalised this by taking up the mantle of ground space booking. She would love someone to offer to be her assistant as she also works full time. We are so excited to have some young blood on the team. We need new fresh ideas. We welcome input from any one who may be interested. Others are involved in their own way. Vincenzo of the Slow Food Movement currently runs an olive festival within the grounds. Leilani of Bees Neez coordinates the Honey Festival.



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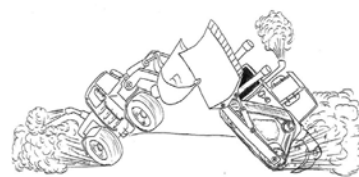
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A summer of bring floods and fires

Around the Paddock by The Farmer

Well another year is now upon us.

Not too flash a start to it with several fires within close proximity, and to add to the woes a ripper of a storm/cock-eyed-bob/tornado.

Those of us who were unfortunate to be in its direct line certainly have had plenty of cleaning up to do.

The worst part I found was untangling of the tree branches out of the fences. It is amazing how they work their way into the ringlock.

Heavy machinery was the order of the day or in our case several days of cleaning up.

Then there is the structural damage to be sorted out by the insurance company.

With the amount of debris on the ground after this violent storm, it is imperative that firebreaks are kept clear.

The summer heat is far from over and I guess that the last of the fires are not finished either.

So with the sale yards up and running, it appears that prices may have turned the corner for the better. Prices are up a bit on last which has to be good news for anyone selling.



With the weather being especially hot recently, it is important that shade, water and feed are made available to any livestock that you may have.

Water should be a constant supply and if possible kept in a shady position in the paddock.

For a seller to get the best return possible at the sale yards or even as a private sale, good genetics is of the utmost importance.

And as a seller a waybill must accompany any stock whilst they are in transit.

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